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August 11, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
CONSTRUCTION OF WELL NO. 27-7 AND SUN VILLAGE PUMP STATION UPGRADES
(PRESSURE ZONE 3056 SYSTEM UPGRADES)
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF LITTLEROCK
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract for Construction of Well No. 27-7 and Sun Village Pump Station Upgrades (Pressure Zone 3056 System Upgrades) in the unincorporated community of Littlerock.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley, find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amount and the changes for Project ID No. WWD4027003 - Construction of Well No. 27-7 and Sun Village Pump Station Upgrades (Pressure Zone 3056 System Upgrades), to drill and equip a new water well, in the unincorporated community of Littlerock, being performed by Bakersfield Well and Pump Company, for additional system upgrades, with an increase in the contract amount of \$105,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval for the changes in public works contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure.

The Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amount for this contract is an increase of \$105,000.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for the project to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosure.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
August 11, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. WWD4027003 - CONSTRUCTION OF WELL NO. 27-7 AND SUN VILLAGE PUMP STATION UPGRADES (PRESSURE ZONE 3056 SYSTEM UPGRADES) (in the unincorporated community of Littlerock), Supervisorial District 5
Contractor: Bakersfield Well and Pump Company

Project Description:

Drilling and equipping a new water well and other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Additional System Upgrade	\$105,000.00
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Description of Change:

At the completion of the well testing, it was determined that the pumping capacity of the new well was much higher than expected. The flow rate was twice the flow rate of the old well. In order to maximize the capacity of the new well, it will be necessary to upgrade the existing system including installing a larger size pump and motor; constructing additional 8- and 12-inch piping; and installing a new concrete vault, a flow meter, and other valves.

The cost for these changes were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Ninety additional working days will be required because of this change.

Financial Information:

Funding for this change in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund of Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,030,372.00
Changes in work previously approved by your Board	19,494.22
Change in work to be authorized	<u>105,000.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,154,866.22</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	12.1%

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